REMARKS

The Office action dated September 20, 2005, has been received and carefully reviewed.

As a result of the Office action, claims 10-19 are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form, for which, Applicants wish to thank the examiner for an early indication of allowable subject matter.

However, claims 1-9 and 20-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by JP07307435 to Tarui.

By the above amendment, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 5 and 10, claim 13 has been rewritten in independent form including the limitations of claims 1 and 5, claim 15 has been rewritten in independent form including the limitations of claims 1 and 6, claim 18 has been rewritten in independent form including the limitations of claims 1 and 6, and claims 5, 10, and 20-22 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore, claims 1-4, 6-9, and 11-19 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Each issue raised in the Office action dated September 20, 2005, has been addressed and it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Wherefore, Applicants respectfully request a timely Notice of Allowance

be issued in this case.

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